GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH A B S T R A C T

Public Servants – Agricultural Marketing Department – Disciplinary Proceedings initiated against Sri T. Sankaranarayana Rao Executive Engineer(Retired), Vijayawada / Guntur for certain financial irregularities – Awarding a penalty of withholding of 10% pension permanently – Orders – Issued.

AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 829

<u>Dated: 07-07-2009</u> Read the following:-

- 1. From C&DOAM, Hyd. Lr.No.DC(1)524/98, dt.14-07-2003.
- 2. G.O.Rt.No.789, A&C(Vig-II) Dept., dt. 18-09-2003.
- 3. From C&DOM, Hyd.Lr.No.D.C.(1)524/98, dt.03-11-2003.
- 4. Govt.Memo.No.10078/Vig-II(1)/2003-6, dt.25-07-2005.
- 5. From Joint Director of Marketing &Inquiry Officer, Vijayawada Inquiry Report No.SMA/JDAM/VJA/338/2005, dt.16-04-2008.
- 6. Govt.Memo No.10078/Vig.II(1)/2003-12, dt.05-06-2008.
- 7. From Sri T. Sankaranarayana Rao, Executive Engineer(M)(Retd.) Vijayawada, Representation dt.12-07-2008 of
- 8. Govt.Memo No.10078/Vig.II(1)/2003-13, dt.24-09-2008.
- 9. From Sri T. Sanakaranarayana Rao, Execute Engineer(M)(Retd) Representation dt.01-12-2008.
- 10. Govt.Lr.No.10078/Vig.II(1)/2003-15, dt.20-03-2009.
- 11. From the Secretary, APPSC, Hyd. Lr.No.424/RT-I/2/20009, dt.25-04-2009.

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ORDER:

In a disciplinary case, Govt. had initiated disciplinary proceedings by framing the following articles of charges against Sri T. Sankaranarayana Rao, former Executive Engineer(M), Vijayawada / Guntur for certain financial irregularities:-

Charge-1:

"That Sri T. Shankarnarayana Rao, while working as Executive Engineer (M), Vijayawada has deposited departmental money into his native District Banks and deposited some money into the Banks of Guntur District. A total amount of Rs.4,65,35,705/- was kept in 42 S.B. Accounts and F.D.Rs in 20 Banks spreading in so many banks resulted to inability to maintain cashbooks, thus he misused his official duties and violated the Rules/Instructions of the Higher Authorities".

Charge-2:

"That Sri T. Shankarnarayana Rao, while working as Executive Engineer(M), Vijayawada has incurred expenditure over and above than the deposited amount for the works executed at AMCs, Polavaram, Peddapuram and Alamuru against the Rules, thus he misused his official duties".

Charge-3:

"That Sri T. Shankarnarayana Rao, while working as Executive Engineer(M), Vijayawada has failed to maintain cash book and not followed the financial procedure in maintaining the cash book, thus he violated the Treasury Rules/Financial Rules".

Charge-4:

"That Sri T. Shankarnarayana Rao, while working as Executive Engineer(M), Vijayawada has collected 355 D.Ds from different bidders from 1/93 to 2/95 for Rs.8,29,050/- and kept them idle in the office without crediting into EE(M) account, which is against the rules, thus he misused his official duties".

Charge-5:

"That Sri T. Shankarnarayana Rao, while working as Executive Engineer(M), Vijayawada has failed to maintain Tender Schedule accounts/cash book properly, thus he misused his official duties and violated the financial Rules".

Charge-6:

"That Sri T. Shankarnarayana Rao, while working as Executive Engineer(M), Guntur has incurred an expenditure of Rs.1,05,416/- from the cost of Tender Schedules during the period from 16-7-1993 to 12-5-1997 irregularly without seeking prior permission from the Directorate, thus he misused his official duties and violated the financial Rules".

- "That Sri T. Shankarnarayana Rao, while working as Executive Engineer(M), Guntur has adopted different high rates for Babul wood work in execution of Onion Godowns at AMCs, Vinukonda and Piduguralla than the prevailing market rates, which obtained by him, thus he misused his official duties".
- 2. As the Charged Officer has not submitted his written statement of defence in the stipulated time, Government have appointed Sri Md. Israr Ahmed, Joint Director of Marketing, Vijayawada as Inquiry Officer to conduct a regular inquiry into the charges framed against the above said Charged Officer. The Inquiry Officer, after conducting the regular inquiry, has submitted the Inquiry Report concluding that (6) six charges are held proved against him as against (7) seven charges.
- 3. In the reference 6th read above, while communicating a copy of the inquiry report, Sri T. Sankaranarayana Rao, Executive Engineer(M)(Retired) was requested to submit his representation, if any, on the findings of the Inquiry Officer. Accordingly, he has submitted his representation on the findings of the Inquiry Officer.
- 4. Government, after careful examination of the matter, have provisionally decided to impose a penalty of withholding 10% pension permanently against Sri T. Sankaranarayana Rao, Executive Engineer(M)(Retired) under Rule 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980. Accordingly, in the reference 8th read above, a Show Cause Notice was issued to the above Charged Officer with a request to show cause as to why the penalty of withholding of 10% pension permanently should not be imposed against him.
- 5. In the reference 9th read above, Sri T. Sankaranarayana Rao, Executive Engineer(M)(Retired) has submitted his representation requesting to drop further action against him.
- 6. Government, after careful examination with reference to record of inquiry, findings of Inquiry Officer and also the representation submitted by the charged officer, have decided to confirm the provisional decision to impose a penalty of withholding 10% pension permanently, as there are no fresh grounds under which the Charged Officer deserves any merit. Accordingly, the A.P.Public Service Commission was addressed for their concurrence vide reference 10th read above.
- 7. In the reference 10th read above, the Secretary, the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission has informed that the Commission agreed with the proposal of the Government to impose a penalty of withholding 10% pension permanently against Sri T. Sankaranarayana Rao, Executive Engineer(M)(Retired).
- 8. Government, after careful examination of the matter, hereby order to withhold 10% (ten percent) pension permanently against Sri T. Sankaranarayana Rao, Executive Engineer(M)(Retired), Vijayawada under Rule 9 of the A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.
- 9. The Commissioner & Director of Marketing, A.P., Hyderabad shall take necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

K. R. KISHORE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

То

Sri T. Sankaranarayana Rao, Executive Engineer(M) (Retired), Vijayawada (Through: The Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Hyderabad)

Copy to: -

The Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Hyderabad. The Secretary, A.P.P.S.C., Hyderabad. Sf/Sc.

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER